Claims 11 and 15-18 are withdrawn from further consideration.

Please note:

Two claim presentations are shown.

The first claim presentation includes all of the remaining claims for consideration in the case with all amendments having been made thereto. The edit markings are omitted from the first claim presentation although all accumulated amendments made thus far to all of the remaining claims in the case are included in the first claim presentation. Therefore, the first claim presentation is believed to represent all of the remaining claims after having first accomplished the instant amendments, if any.

The second claim presentation includes only those claims that are being amended by this response. Please amend the claims in accordance with the changes that are shown, the added words being underlined and the deleted words being in brackets.

Please amend **CLAIMS** 1, 5-8, and 14 as follows and please amend claim 10 if the arguments made hereinafter are deemed persuasive:

A. First claim presentation of all remaining claims in their final form.

I. A portable venting commode, comprising:

- (a) a portable frame structure;
- (b) a toilet seat attached to said portable frame structure; and
- (c) means for venting vapors to a distal location that is disposed outside of the room where the portable frame structure is disposed.

2. The portable venting commode of claim 1 wherein said portable frame structure is adapted for placement over a conventional fixed-mount flush-type of toilet.

- 3. The portable venting commode of claim 2 wherein said means for venting includes means for urging vapors to said distal location.
 - 4. The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said means for urging vapors includes a fan that is powered by a DC motor.
 - 5. The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said means for urging vapors includes a flexible hose and means for generating a positive pressure in at least a portion of said flexible hose means that is disposed upstream from said means for urging vapors.
 - 6. The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said means for urging vapors includes a flexible hose and means for generating a negative pressure in at least a portion of said flexible hose means that is disposed downstream from said means for urging vapors.

7. The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said toilet seat includes an opening therein, wherein said opening is adapted for cooperating with said means for urging vapors/

8. The portable venting commode of claim 2 including a chute attached to said means for providing a toilet seat.

9. The portable venting commode of claim 8 wherein said means for providing a chute includes a chute that includes an opening at a distal end with respect to an end where said chute is attached to said means for providing a toilet seat, and wherein said chute is adapted to discharge human waste matter into said flush-type of toilet, and wherein said chute includes a portion thereof that is cylindrical in shape.

means for providing a chute includes a chute that includes an opening at a distal end with respect to an end where said chute is attached to said toilet seat, and wherein said chute is adapted to discharge human waste matter into said

portion thereof that is conical in shape.

- 12. The portable venting commode of claim 10 including means for providing a seal intermediate said chute and a conventional type of a toilet seat that is attached to said flush-type of toilet, and wherein said chute is adapted for placement through an opening provided in said conventional type of a toilet seat.
- 13. The portable venting commode of claim 2 wherein said means for venting includes means for urging vapors to said distal location and wherein said means for urging vapors includes a fan that is powered by a DC motor and wherein said fan is attached to said frame structure.

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14. The portable venting commode of claim 2 wherein said means for venting includes means for urging vapors to said distal location and wherein said means for urging vapors includes a fan that is powered by a DC motor and wherein said fan is attached distally with respect to a room wherein said portable frame structure is disposed.

- B. Second claim presentation of the instant amendments only.
- 1. (Amended) 1. (Amended) A portable venting commode, comprising:
 - (a) a portable frame structure;
 - (b) [means for providing] a toilet seat attached to said portable frame structure; and
 - (c) means for venting vapors to a distal location that
 is disposed outside of the room where the portable
 frame structure is disposed.
- 5. (Amended) The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said means for urging vapors includes <u>a</u> flexible hose [means] and means for generating a positive pressure in at

least a portion of said flexible hose means that is disposed upstream from said means for urging vapors.

- 6. (Amended) The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said means for urging vapors includes <u>a</u> flexible hose [means] and means for generating a negative pressure in at least a portion of said flexible hose means that is disposed downstream from said means for urging vapors.
- 7. (Amended) The portable venting commode of claim 3 wherein said [means for providing a] toilet seat includes[d] an opening [means] therein, wherein said opening [means] is adapted for cooperating with said means for urging vapors.
- 8. (Amended) The portable venting commode of claim 2 including [means for providing] a chute attached to said means for providing a toilet seat.
- 10. (Amended) The portable venting commode of claim 8 wherein said means for providing a chute includes a chute that includes an opening at a distal end with respect to an

end where said chute is attached to said [means for providing a] toilet seat, and wherein said chute is adapted to discharge human waste matter into said flush-type of toilet, and wherein said chute includes a portion thereof that is conical in shape.

14. (Amended) The portable venting commode of claim 2 wherein said means for venting includes means for urging vapors to said distal location and wherein said means for urging vapors includes a fan that is powered by a DC motor and wherein said fan is attached distally with respect to \underline{a} room wherein said portable frame structure is disposed.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above identified patent application is hereby respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks. Claims 1, 5-8, 10, and 14 have been amended. Claims 1-10 and 12-14 remain in the case of which 10 and 12 will not be further treated. Claims 11 and 15-18 and disputed claims 10 and 12 are presently withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner.